

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR REGISTRATION
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS**

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2008

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY on August 4, 2008.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas Ryavec – Vice Chair
Larry Rhodes
Stephen Wyatt
Gil Cumbee

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Jeff Boler, Board Administrator
Gerald W. Hoppmann, Division Director
Susan Ellis, Finance / Fiscal
Carolyn Kyler, Board Administrator

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Cobb

OTHERS

Mark Brengelman, Office of the Attorney General
Judith Hower
Phillip O'Dell

Call to Order

Thomas Ryavec, Board Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM and introductions were made.

Ms. Carolyn Kyler, Division of Occupations and Professions, swore in Mr. Gil Cumbee as a new board member. Mr. Cumbee is representing registered professional geologists, and his term will end on July 14, 2012.

Approval of Minutes

Review of the minutes from the June 2, 2008 meeting was deferred.

Financial Statement

The Board reviewed the financial statement for the month ending June 30, 2008, which indicated a cash balance of \$206,552.22. In addition, the Board reviewed the financial statement for year end, 2008. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. The motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hoppmann and Ms. Ellis addressed Board concerns about fee transfers approved during the previous legislative session, as well as questions about potential fee increases to offset the transfers. As a part of the discussion, staff was requested to provide the Board with additional information on carry forward balances considering various fee increases for their review during the next scheduled meeting.

Mr. Ryavec made a motion to have the Division draft a letter of opposition to the budget committee's as well as the Governor's Office detailing the financial impact of transferring these funds from the Board to the general fund. The motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, carried unanimously.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to have an article in the Board newsletter concerning the fee transfers, with a recommendation that licensees contact their local legislator to voice their disapproval. The motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried unanimously.

Director's Report

Mr. Hoppmann informed the Board that the Division has been reorganized under the Public Protection Cabinet, under the Office of the Secretary.

Mr. Hoppmann informed the Board that they now have the ability to utilize the Office of Inspector General for future investigative purposes.

Complaints / Legal Matters

07-01 Pending Investigation by the Kentucky Bureau of Investigation (KBI). Division staff will update the Board at the next meeting.

Old Business

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to purchase plaques for Mr. Doug Reynolds, Mike Sanders, and Bob Fox for their years of service to the Board. The motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried unanimously.

New Business

The Board reviewed correspondence from Sam Christiano, concerning the 2008 ASBOG Annual Meeting. Mr. Ryavec made a motion to approve travel and expenses for two Board members to attend. The motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried unanimously.

The Board listened to the concerns of Mr. Phillip O'Dell, Registered Professional Geologists, concerning the exemption in KRS 322A.080, that allows Federal, State, and Local Government Employees to be exempt from the licensure law. Mr. O'Dell shared his concerns that unlicensed geologists are performing geological work, and are a danger to public protection. Mr. Hoppmann made a recommendation that he formally issue his concerns by submitting correspondence to the Board, to be reviewed at their next meeting.

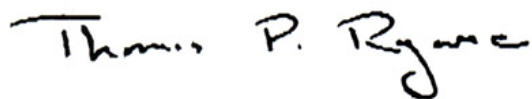
The Board reviewed an invoice from ASBOG for their annual fees. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to approve payment of the invoice. The motion, seconded by Mr. Ryavec, carried unanimously.

Travel and Per-Diem

Mr. Wyatt made a motion to approve travel and per-diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Ryavec, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registered Professional Geologists is scheduled as a special meeting for October 13, 2008 at 11:45 PM at the Hilary J. Boone Center at the University of Kentucky in The First Lady's Room.

Approved by the Board,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas P. Ryavec". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Thomas P. Ryavec